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WELCOME TO THE PLANET MOBIUS -- A WORLD BEYOND WHAT YOU KNOW FROM THE SEGA GAMES! THE BABYLON ROGUES HAVE JUST REJOINED THE AERIAL ARMY THEY HAD ONCE ABANDONED; THE BATTLE BIRD ARMADA. NOW THESE FLYING FIENDS ARE ON A DIRECT COURSE FOR THE HOMETOWN OF SONIC THE HEDGEHOG AND THE FREEDOM FIGHTERS IN THEIR QUEST FOR THE LEGENDARY BABYLON GARDEN!!



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NICOLE
ARTIFICIAL
INTELLIGENCE,
IN CHARGE OF
CITY DEFENSES

NICOLE?
NICOLE!



LOOKS LIKE THE
ARMADA MEANS
BUSINESS. MAYBE
I SHOULD'VE BEEN
NICER TO THEM.*

THE SHIELD SHOULD HOLD
THOSE SHIPS AT BAY, BUT
WE NEED SOME AERIAL
STRENGTH.

WE NEED YOU TO
FINISH THE REPAIRS
TO THE TORNADO,
NICOLE.

ROTOR
FORMER
FREEDOM
FIGHTER

*SEE SU #17-20

TAILS
TWO-TAILED
BOY GENIUS



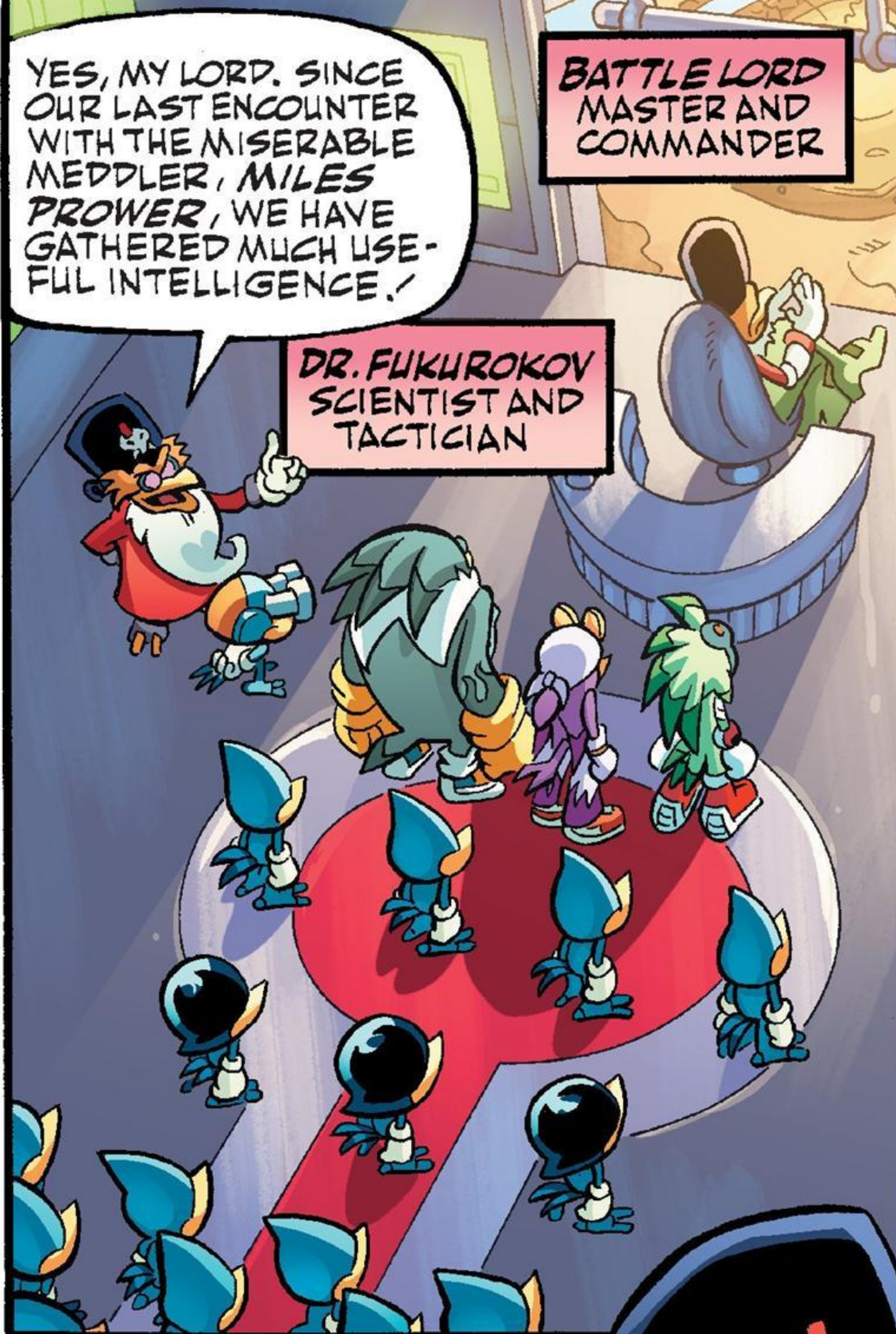
IT'S DONE.
PLEASE, ROTOR...
THE WHOLE CITY
IS SCREAMING
TO TAKE ME
OFFLINE... SALLY
IS GONE.* I
CAN'T... I CAN'T...

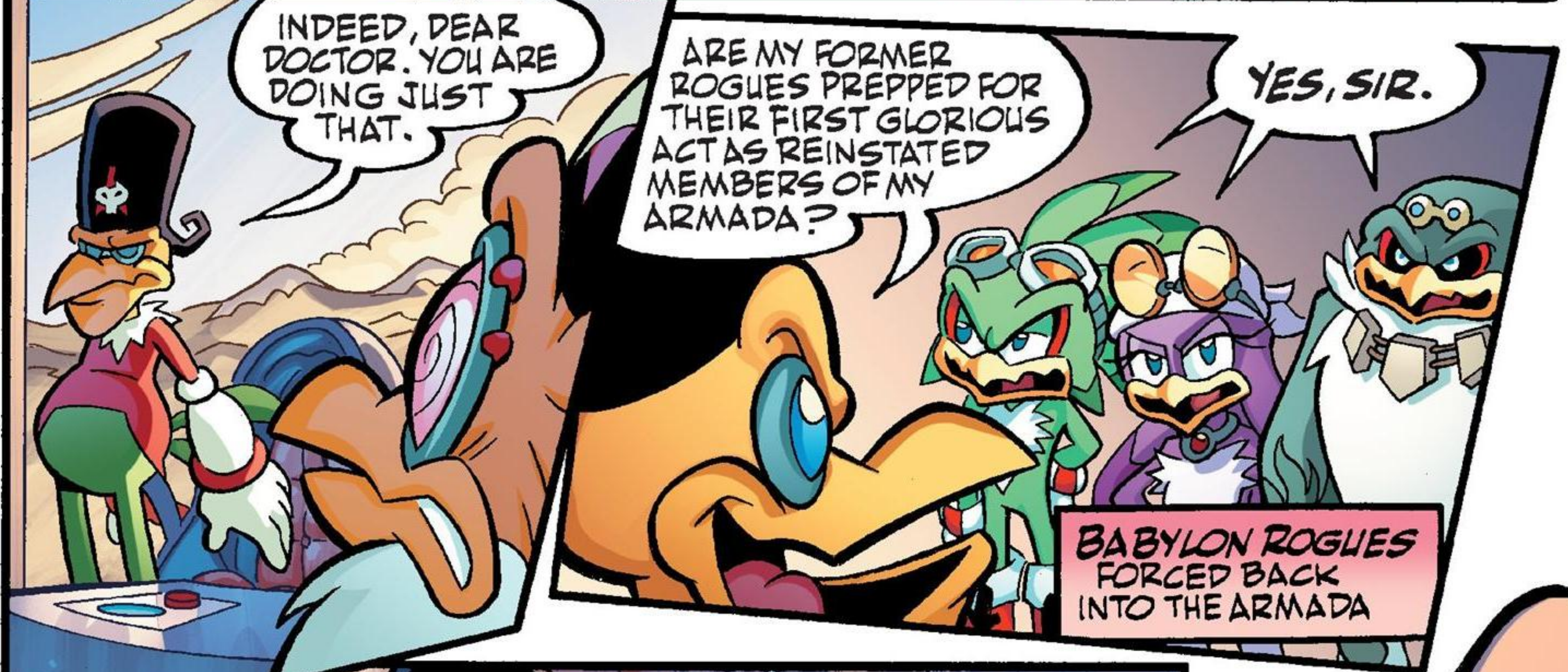
I KNOW,
NICOLE. IT'S ALRIGHT.
THERE'S ONLY ONE
MORE THING I NEED
YOU TO DO.

*SEE
STH
#230-
231.

THE BATTLE
FORTRESS...

DR. FUKUROKOV,
SIT REP, IF YOU
PLEASE.



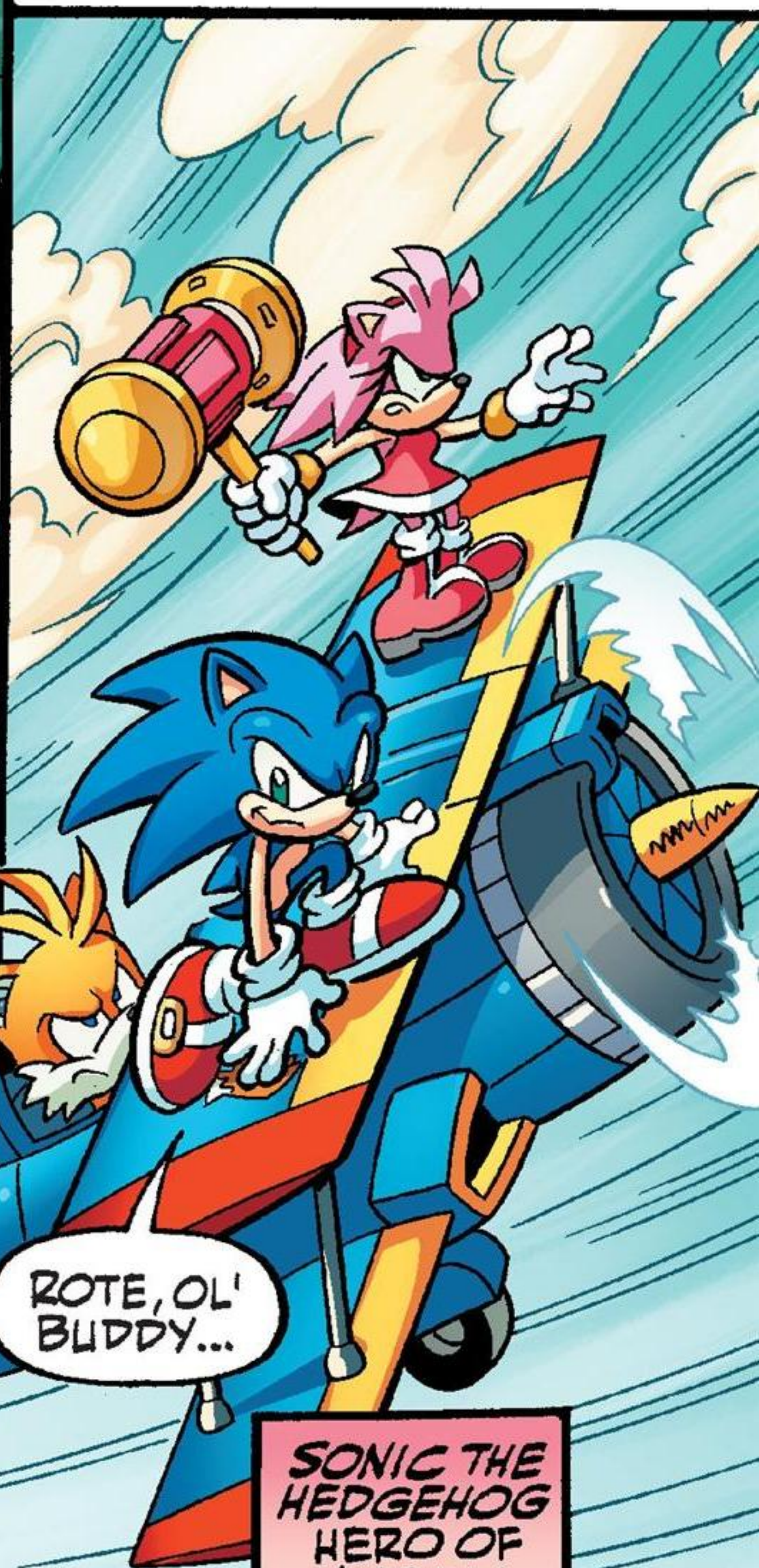




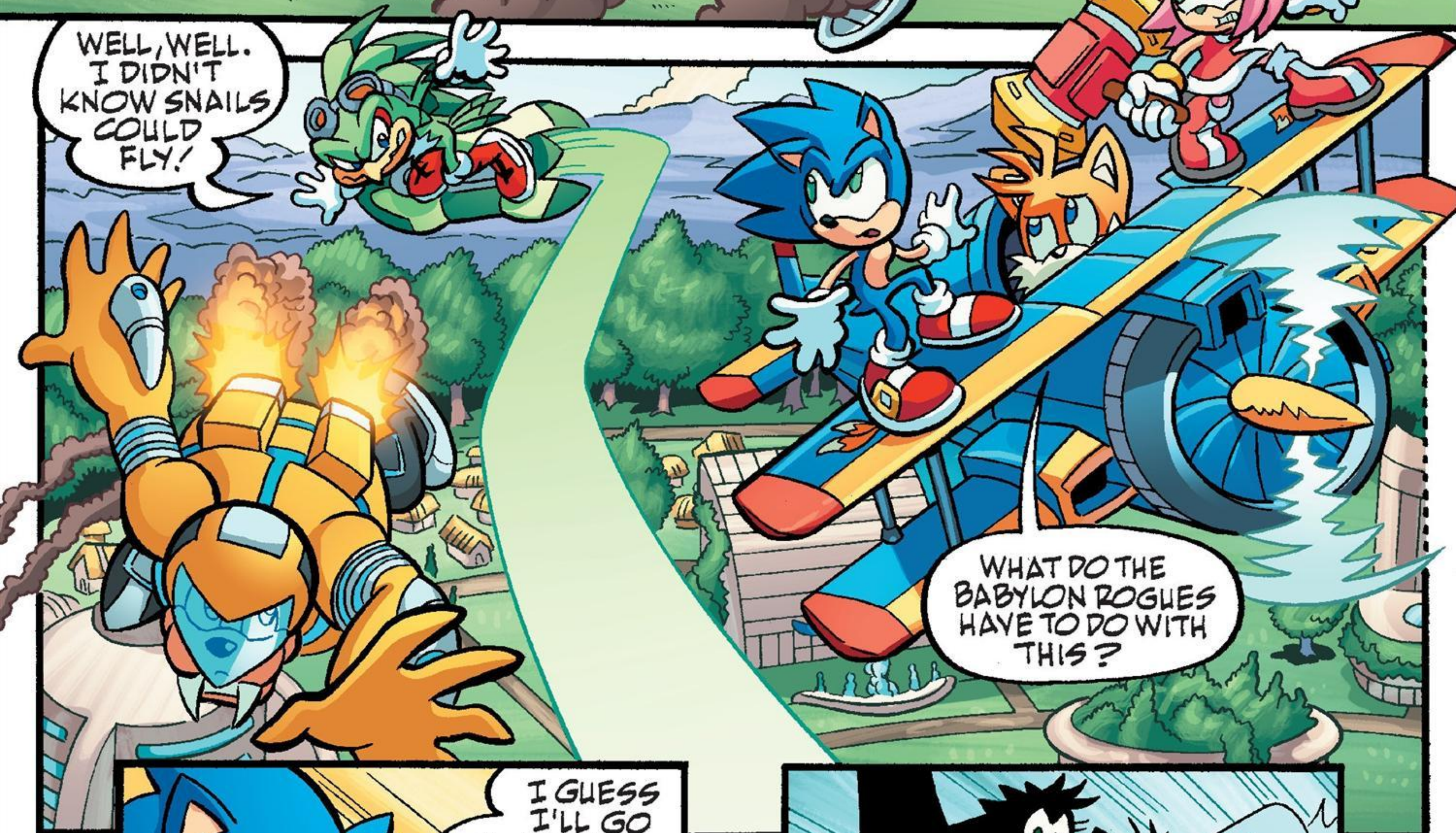
ONE WAY TO FIND OUT!

CHIRP





SONIC THE HEDGEHOG
HERO OF MOBIUS



YO, JET-SKI!
YOU NEED TO PUNCH
MY "BAD GUY
INVASION" CARD.
I'LL GET THE NEXT
ONE FOR FREE.

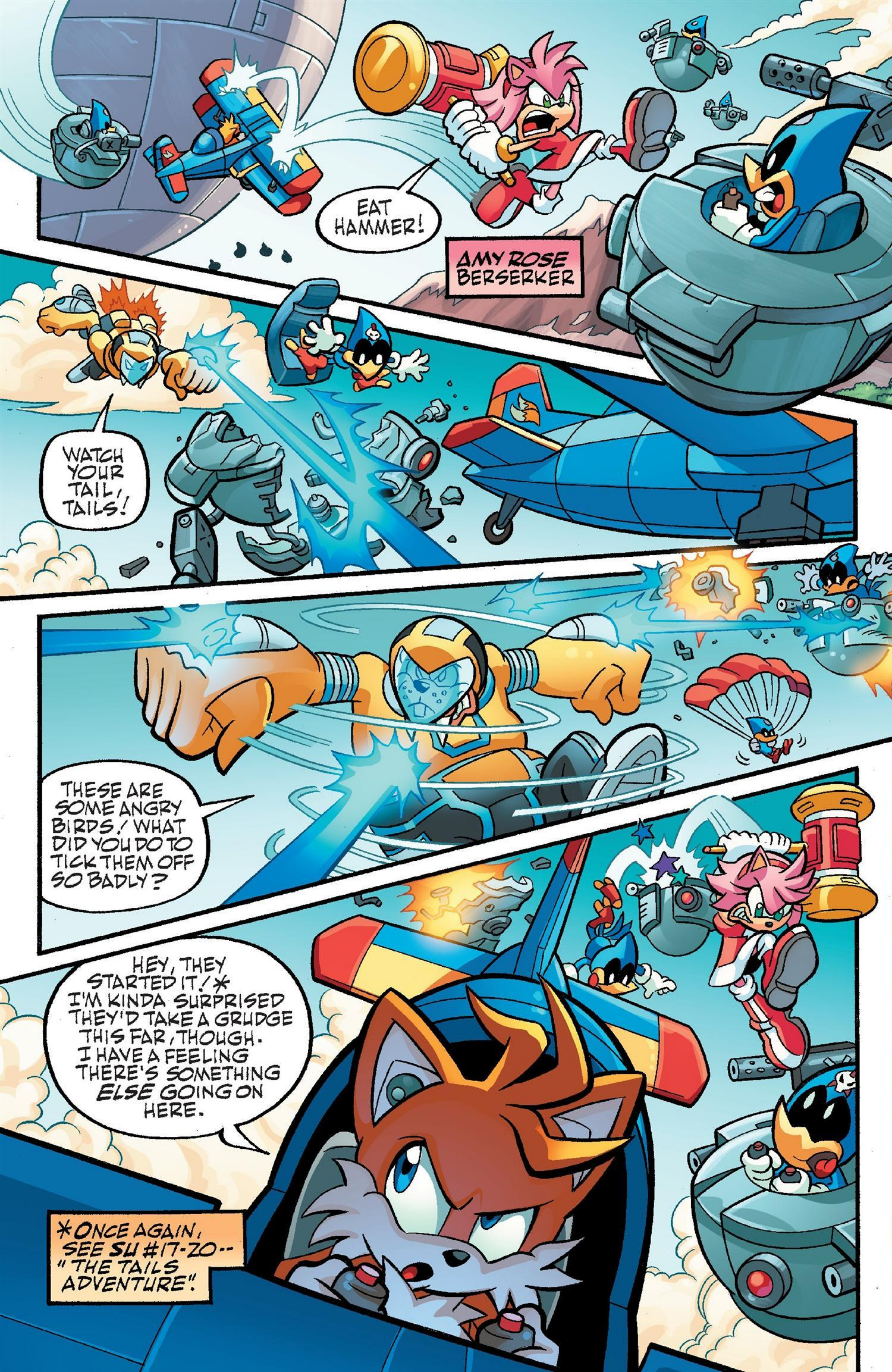
WHAT MAKES
YOU DORKS SO
EAGER FOR A
BEAT DOWN?

YOU'RE
THE ONE
GOING
DOWN.

LITERALLY.

BZZZT!!

YOU ANSWERED
INCORRECTLY!
LET'S MOVE ON
TO THE PHYSICAL
CHALLENGE.



EAT HAMMER!

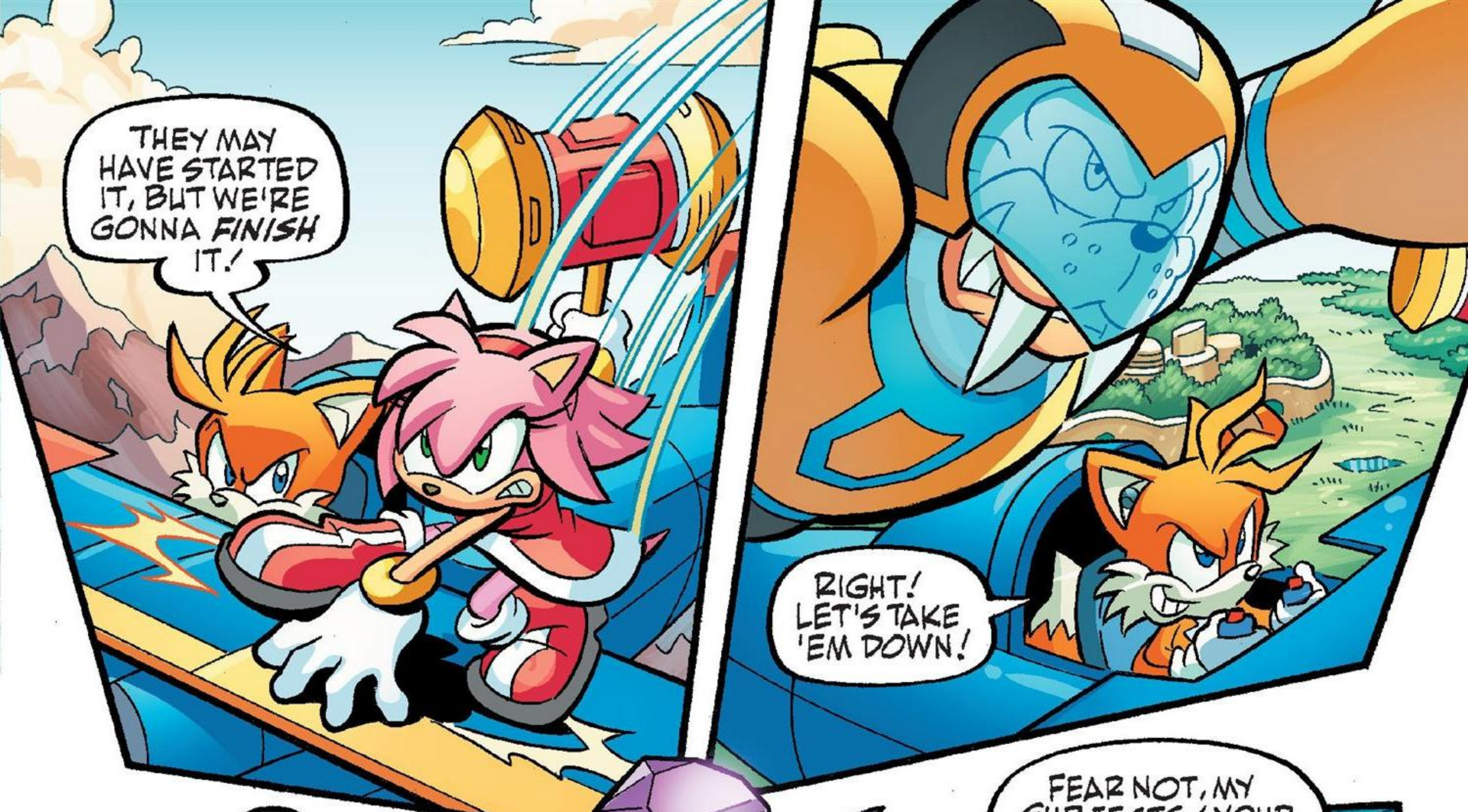
AMY ROSE
BERSERKER

WATCH
YOUR
TAIL,
TAILS!

THESE ARE
SOME ANGRY
BIRDS. WHAT
DID YOU DO TO
TICK THEM OFF
SO BADLY?

HEY, THEY
STARTED IT. *
I'M KINDA SURPRISED
THEY'D TAKE A GRUDGE
THIS FAR, THOUGH.
I HAVE A FEELING
THERE'S SOMETHING
ELSE GOING ON
HERE.

*ONCE AGAIN,
SEE SU #17-20--
"THE TAILS
ADVENTURE".



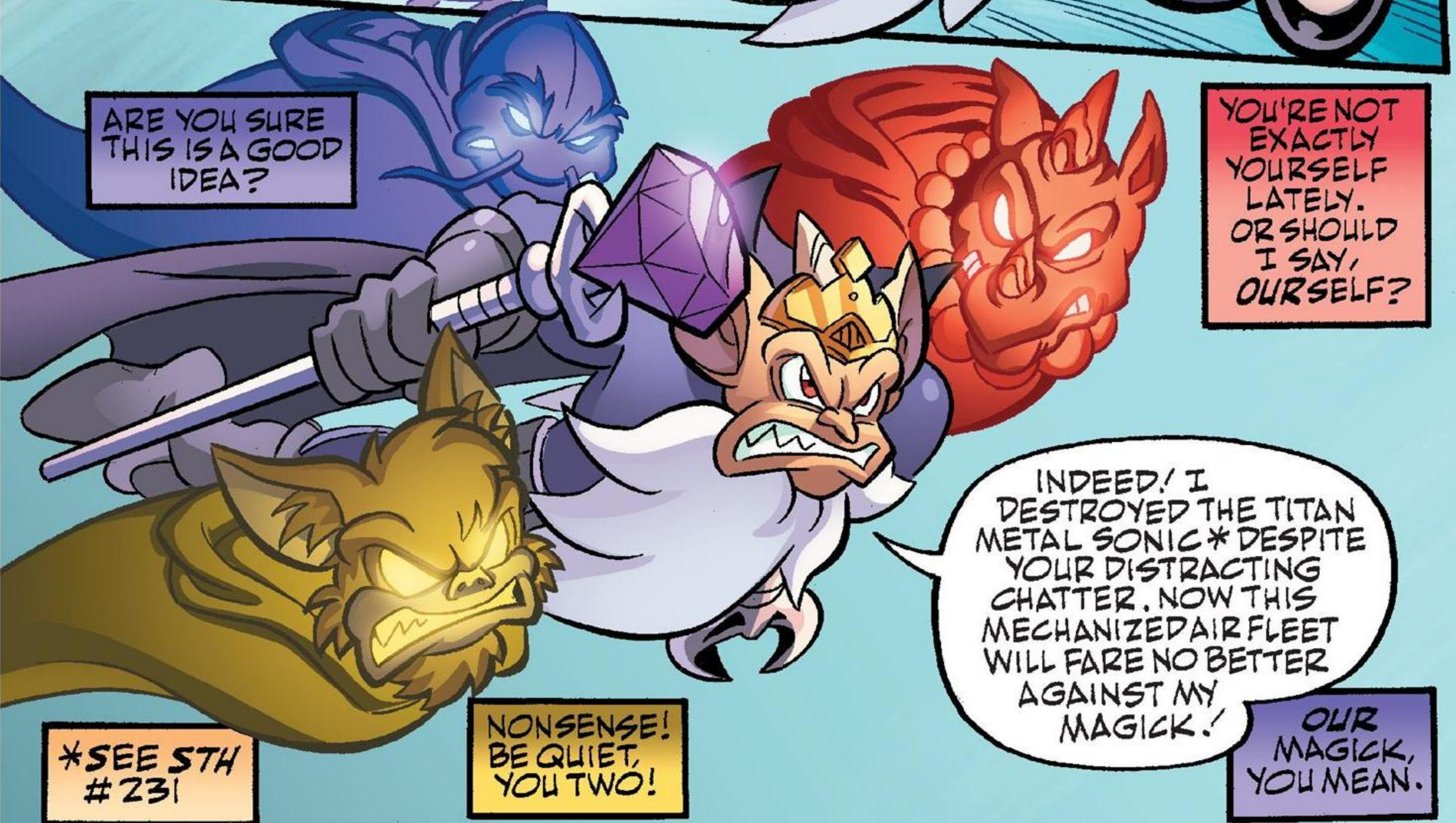
THEY MAY HAVE STARTED IT, BUT WE'RE GONNA FINISH IT!

RIGHT! LET'S TAKE 'EM DOWN!



FEAR NOT, MY SUBJECTS! YOUR KING SHALL SAVE YOU ONCE AGAIN!

IXIS NAUGUS USURPER TO THE CROWN



ARE YOU SURE THIS IS A GOOD IDEA?

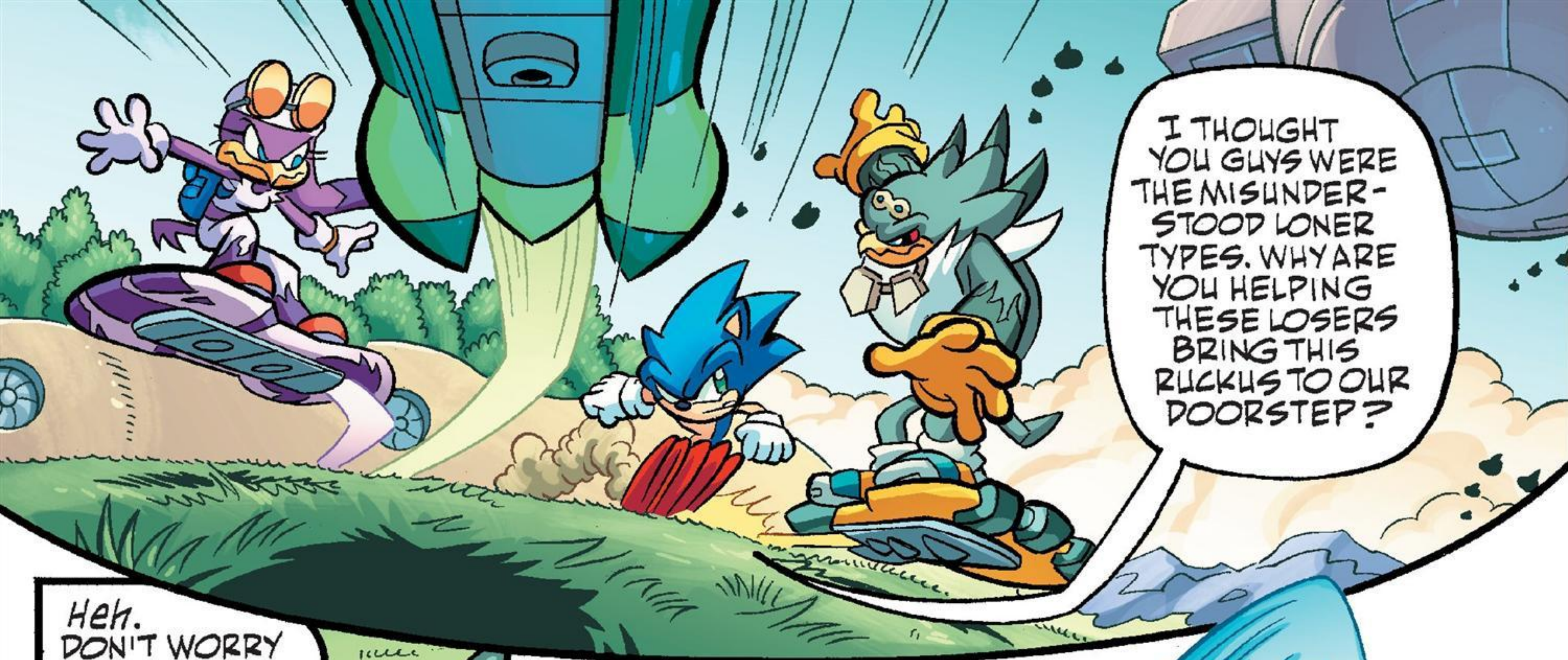
YOU'RE NOT EXACTLY YOURSELF LATELY. OR SHOULD I SAY, OURSELF?

INDEED! I DESTROYED THE TITAN METAL SONIC* DESPITE YOUR DISTRACTING CHATTER. NOW THIS MECHANIZED AIR FLEET WILL FARE NO BETTER AGAINST MY MAGICK!

OUR MAGICK, YOU MEAN.

NONSENSE! BE QUIET, YOU TWO!

*SEE STH # 231

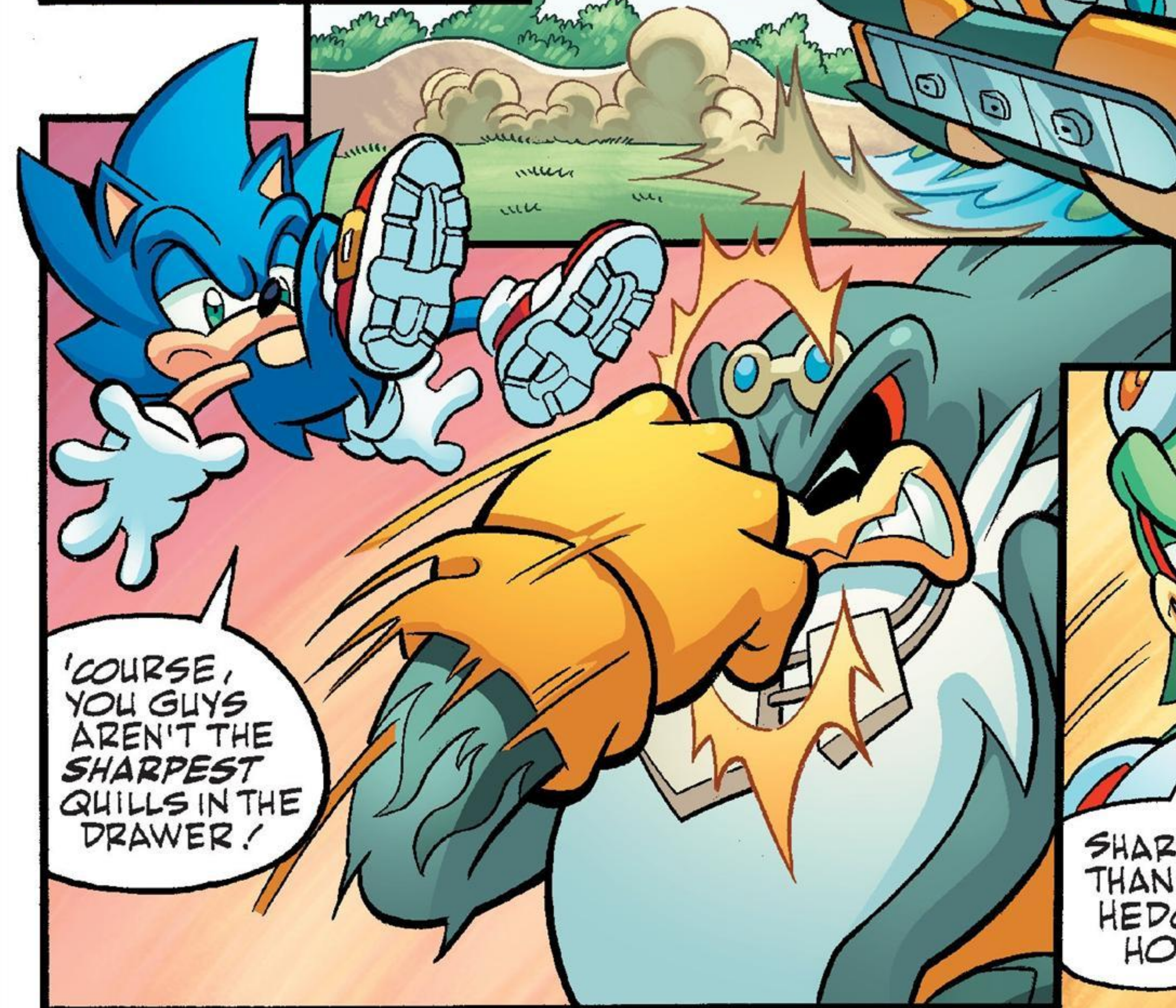
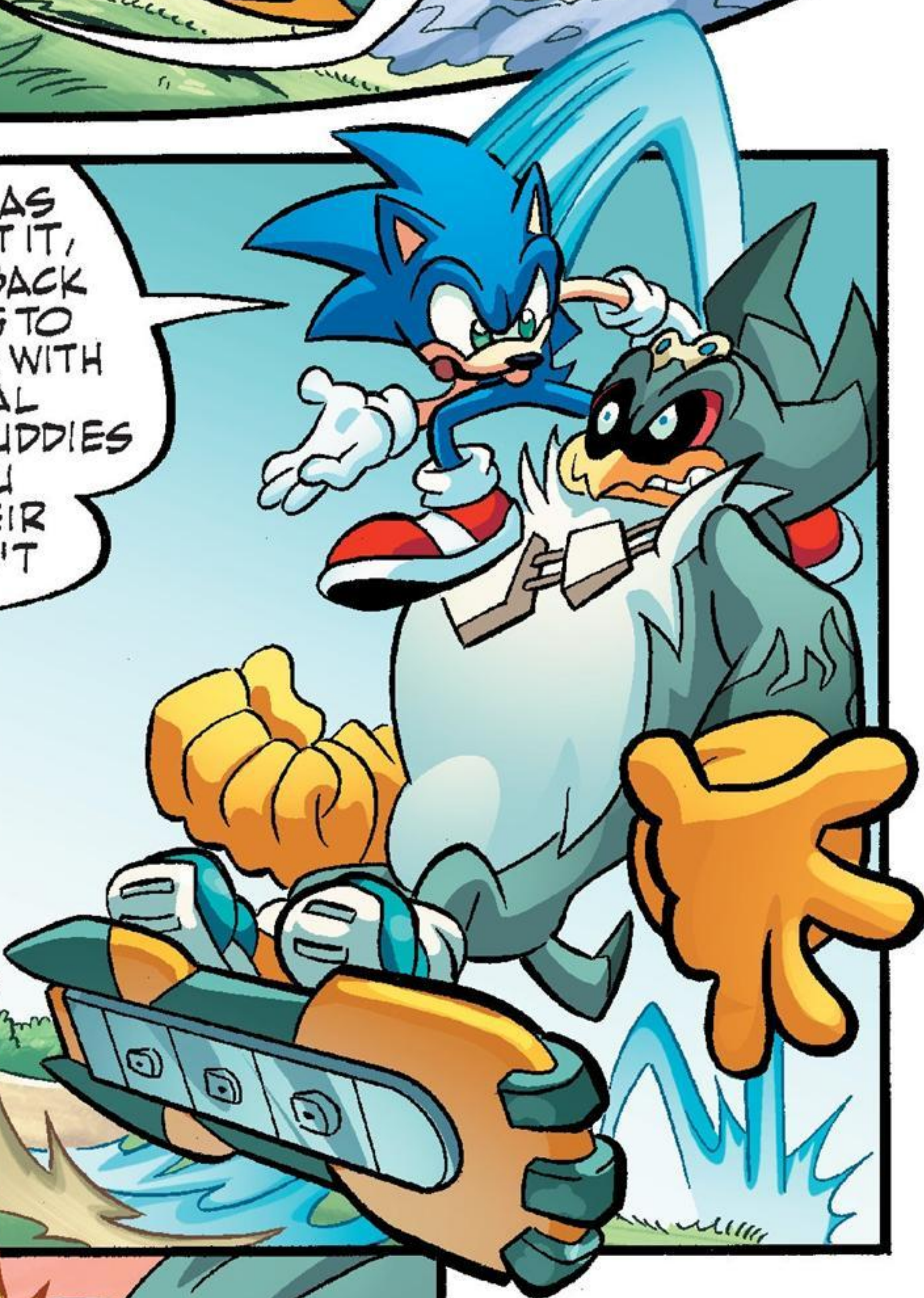


I THOUGHT YOU GUYS WERE THE MISUNDERSTOOD LONER TYPES. WHY ARE YOU HELPING THESE LOSERS BRING THIS RUCKUS TO OUR DOORSTEP?



Heh. DON'T WORRY YOUR POINTY BLUE HEAD ABOUT IT.

LOOK, AS MUCH AS I HATE TO ADMIT IT, I'VE NAUGUS BACK THERE IS GOING TO MOP THE FLOOR WITH ALL THOSE METAL PLANES YOUR BUDDIES ARE FLYING. YOU GOTTA SEE THEIR ATTACK DOESN'T STAND A CHANCE!



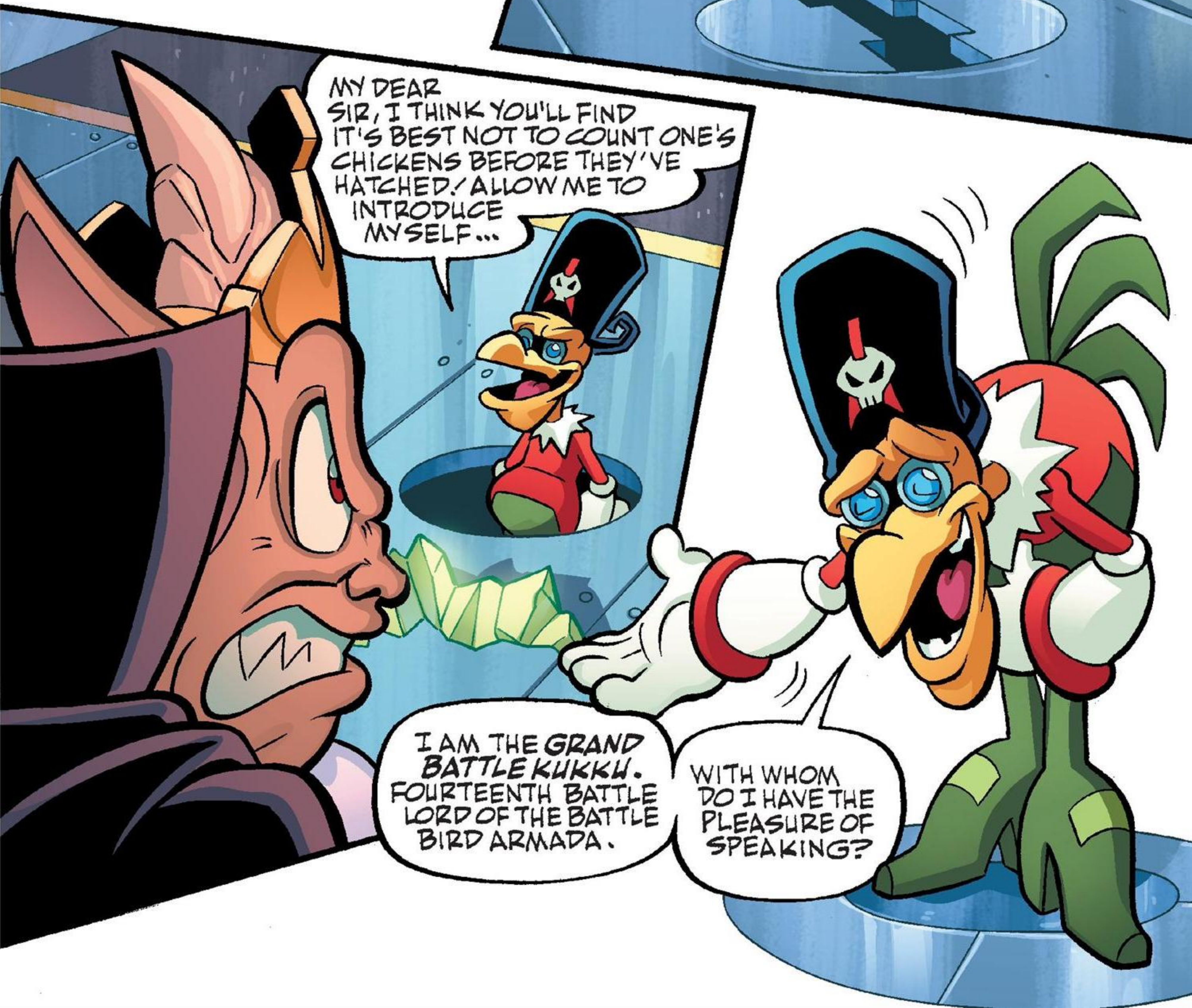
'COURSE, YOU GUYS AREN'T THE SHARPEST QUILLS IN THE DRAWER!



SHARPER THAN YOU, HEDGE-HOG.



HA!
ONCE I'VE CRYSTAL-
LIZED THIS VESSEL,
IT WILL MAKE A FINE
FLAGSHIP TO SPREAD
MY REIGN TO THE
REST OF MOBIUS!



MY DEAR
SIR, I THINK YOU'LL FIND
IT'S BEST NOT TO COUNT ONE'S
CHICKENS BEFORE THEY'VE
HATCHED! ALLOW ME TO
INTRODUCE
MYSELF...

I AM THE **GRAND
BATTLE KUKKH.**
FOURTEENTH BATTLE
LORD OF THE BATTLE
BIRD ARMADA.

WITH WHOM
DO I HAVE THE
PLEASURE OF
SPEAKING?

I AM KING IXIS NAUGLUS!
BEARER OF THE CROWN OF
ACORNS! WIELDER OF
THE ANCIENT IXIAN
MAGICKS!

YES. A
WIZARD.

THE
WIZARD.

WIZARDS!

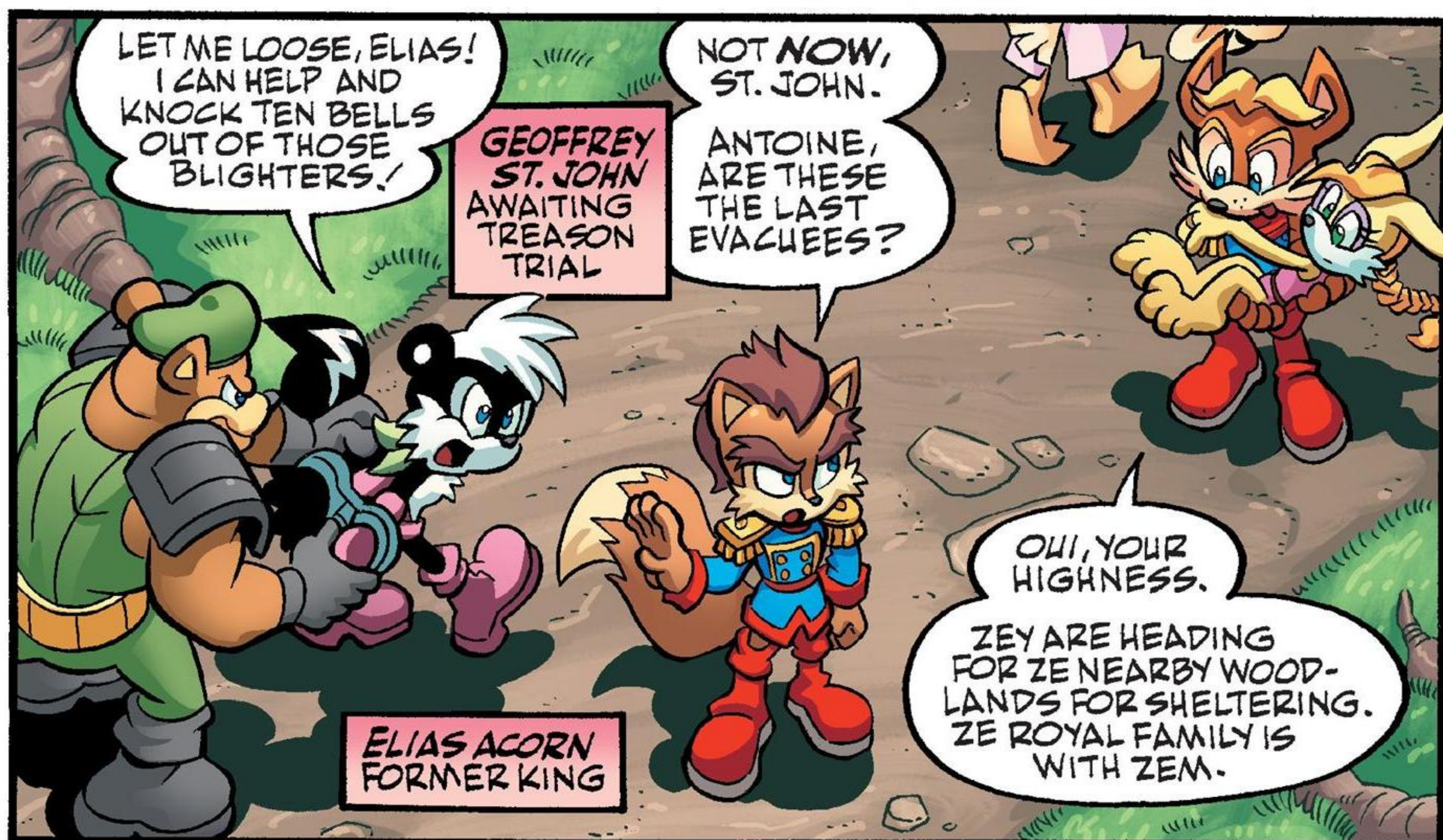
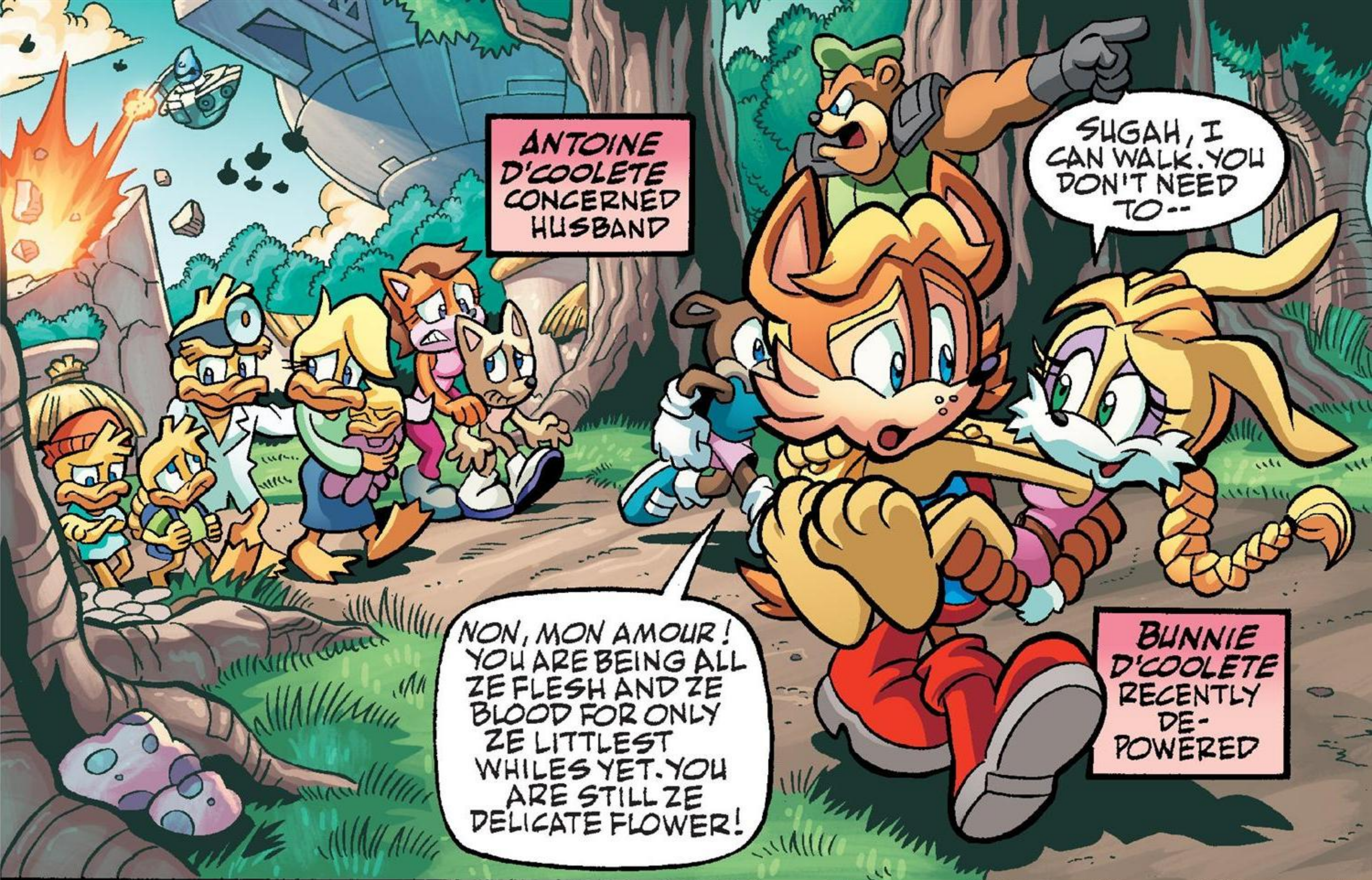
YOU RELY
ON MAGIC
TO
ACHIEVE
YOUR
GOALS.

MY CHIEF
ENGINEER RELIES
ENTIRELY ON HIS
MACHINES.

MY PREFERRED
MEANS TO AN END,
HOWEVER...

...IS BRUTE
FORCE.

I TOLD YOU
THIS WAS A
BAD IDEA.





DID YOU COMPLETE THE "CITY RESTORE POINT" THAT ROTOR SUGGESTED BEFORE THE ATTACK BEGAN?

YES.



≡sigh≡ GOOD.

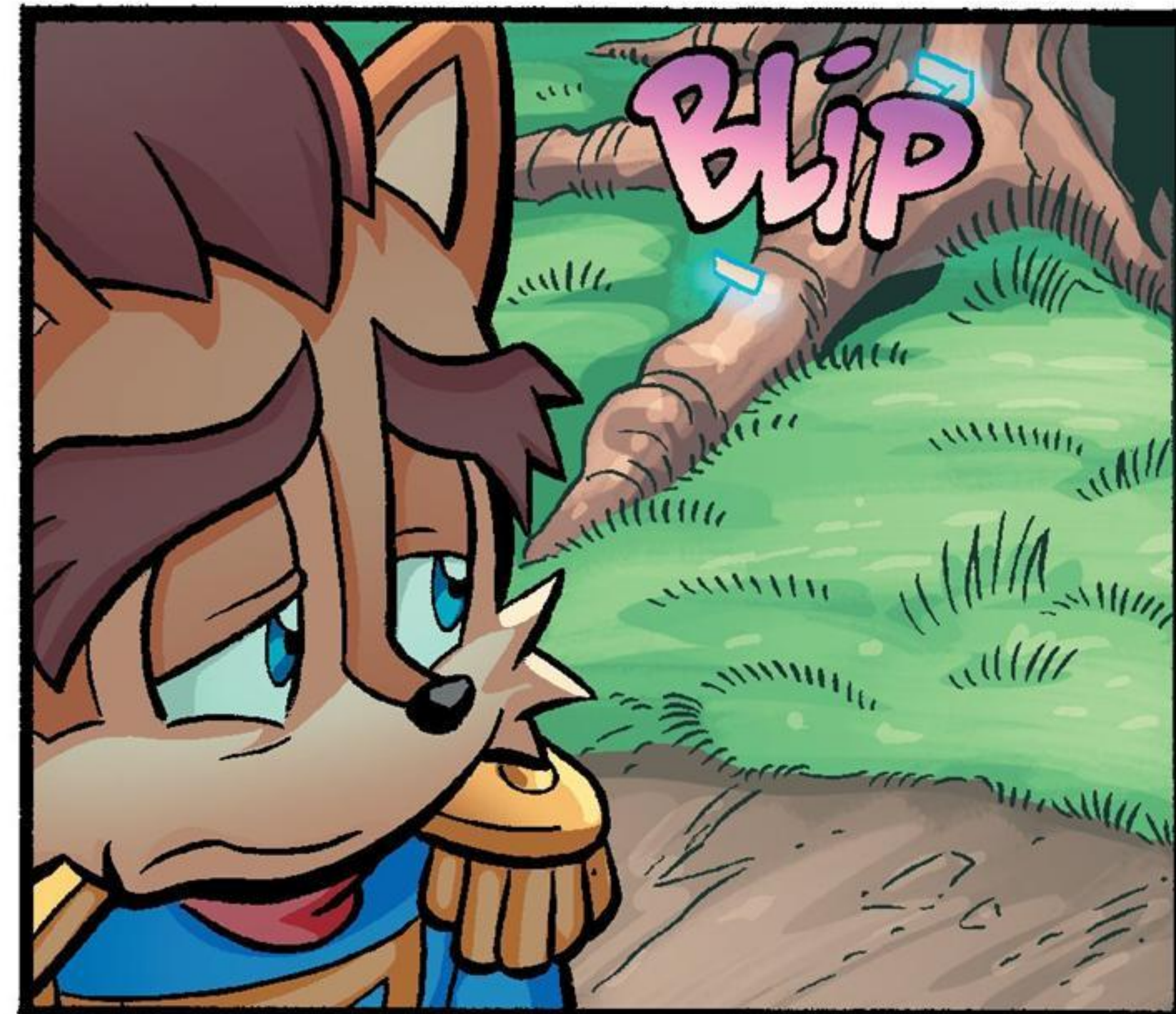
THE NANITIES SHOULDN'T HAVE TOO HARD A TIME REPAIRING THE DAMAGE TO THE CITY.



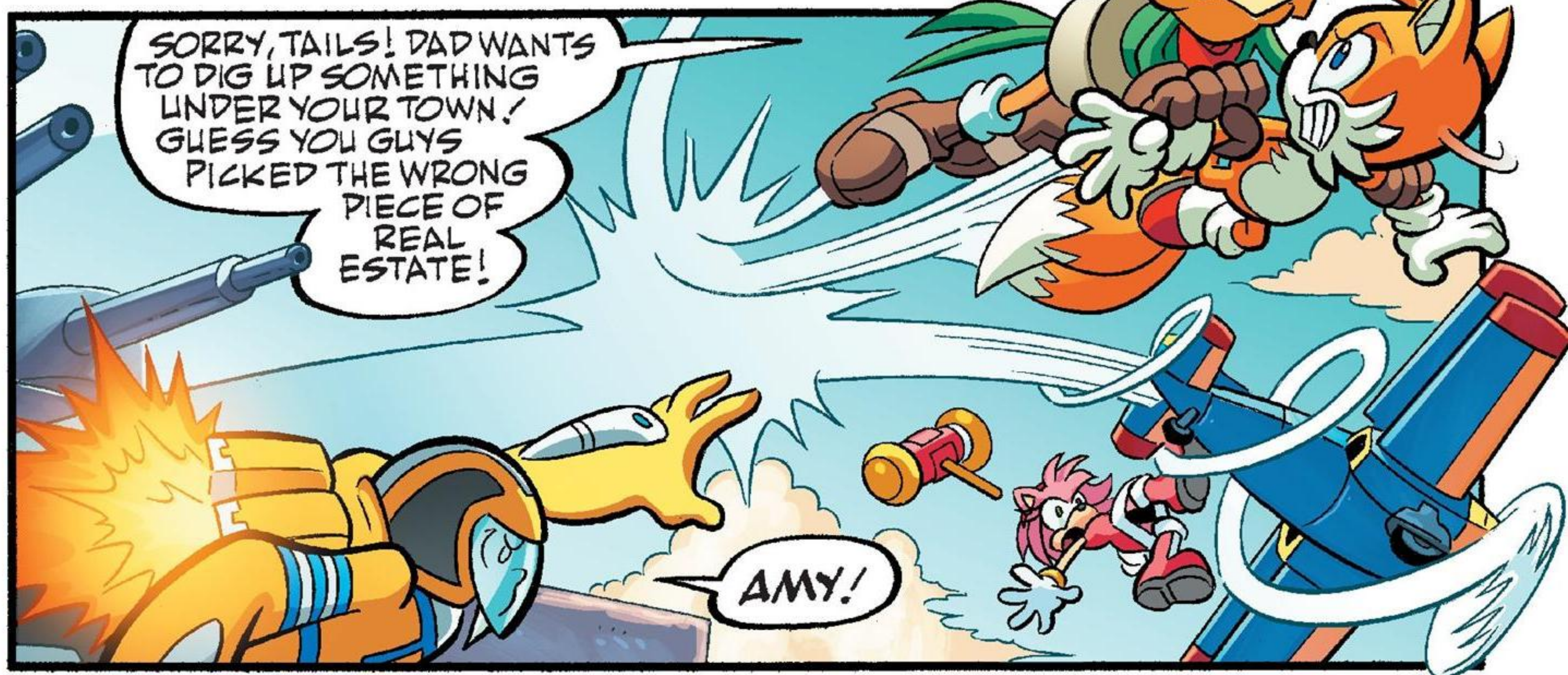
HAVE YOU BACKED UP YOUR PROGRAM TO THE FREEDOM HQ SERVERS?



NICOLE, I KNOW YOU WERE VERY CLOSE TO MY SISTER. I--



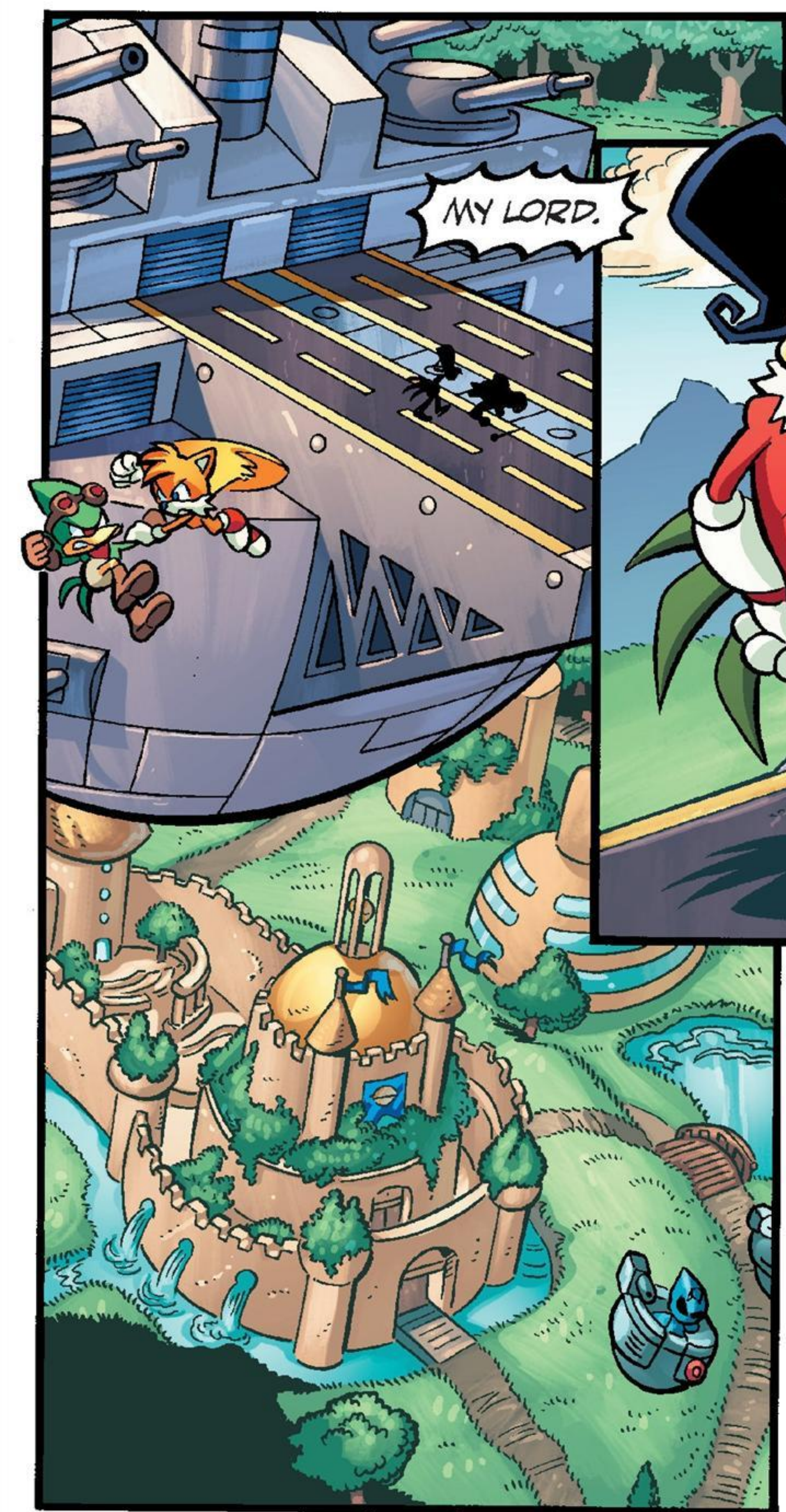
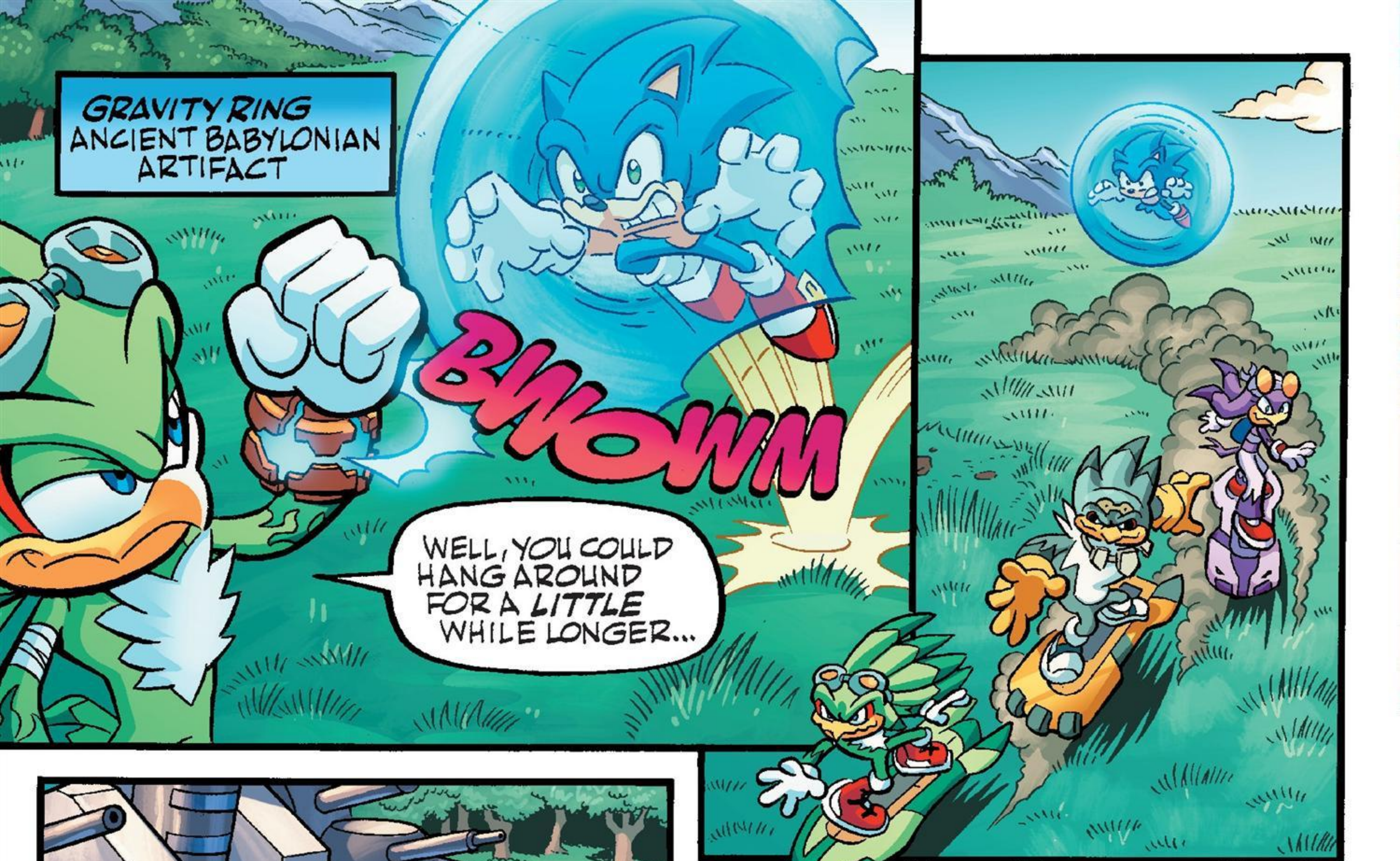
BLIP



GRAVITY RING
ANCIENT BABYLONIAN
ARTIFACT

BKOWN

WELL, YOU COULD
HANG AROUND
FOR A LITTLE
WHILE LONGER...

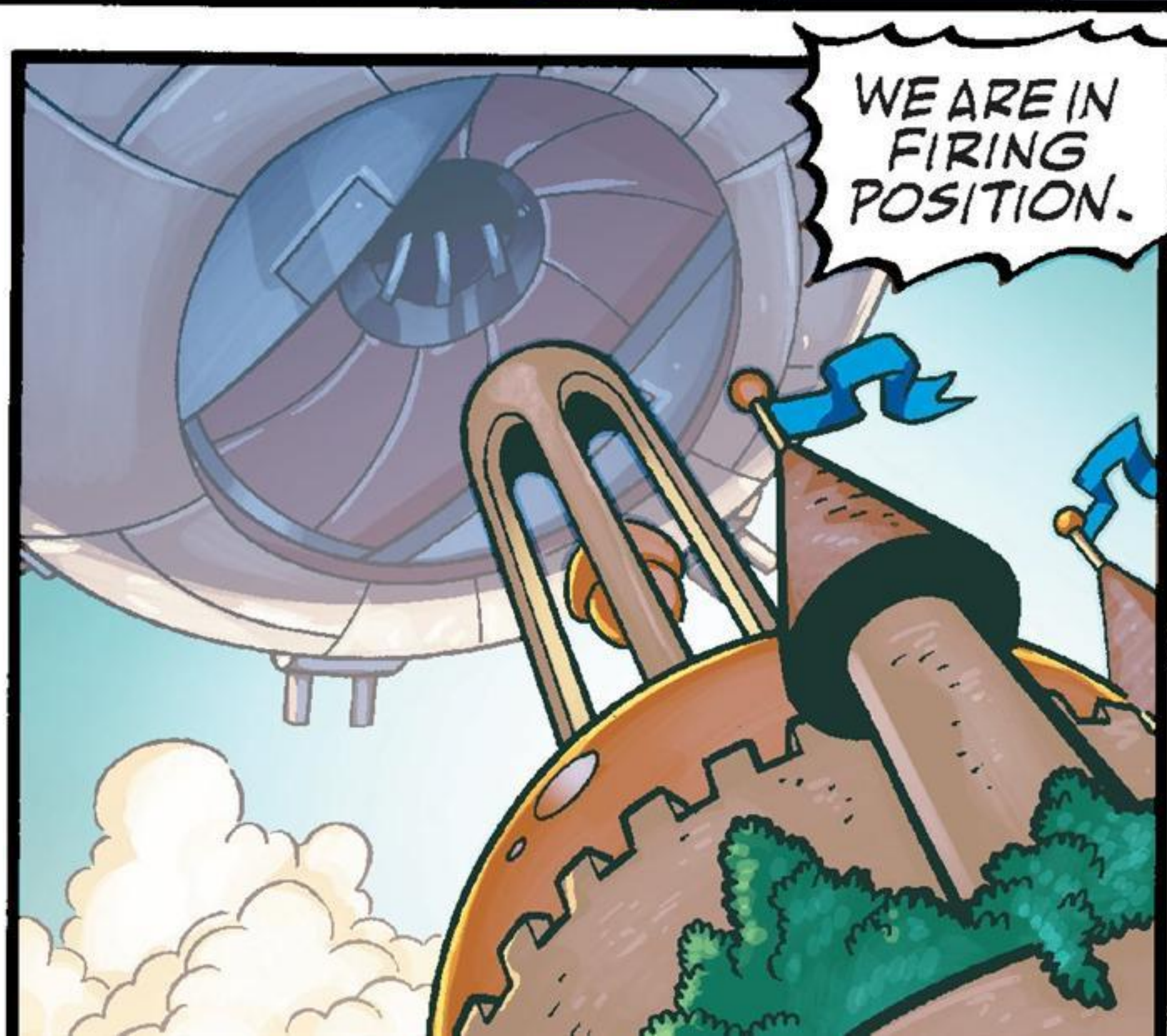


MY LORD.

GO AHEAD,
DOCTOR.



WE ARE IN
FIRING
POSITION.





I WONDER IF IT WAS
MERE CHANCE OR SOME
INTELLIGENT DESIGN
THAT HAS PLACED YOUR
METROPOLIS ATOP AN
ANCIENT RELIC OF UN-
FATHOMABLE POWER.

REGARDLESS,
I MUST RETRIEVE
WHAT IS MINE, AND
WHAT IS YOURS IS
ALL THAT STANDS
IN MY WAY.

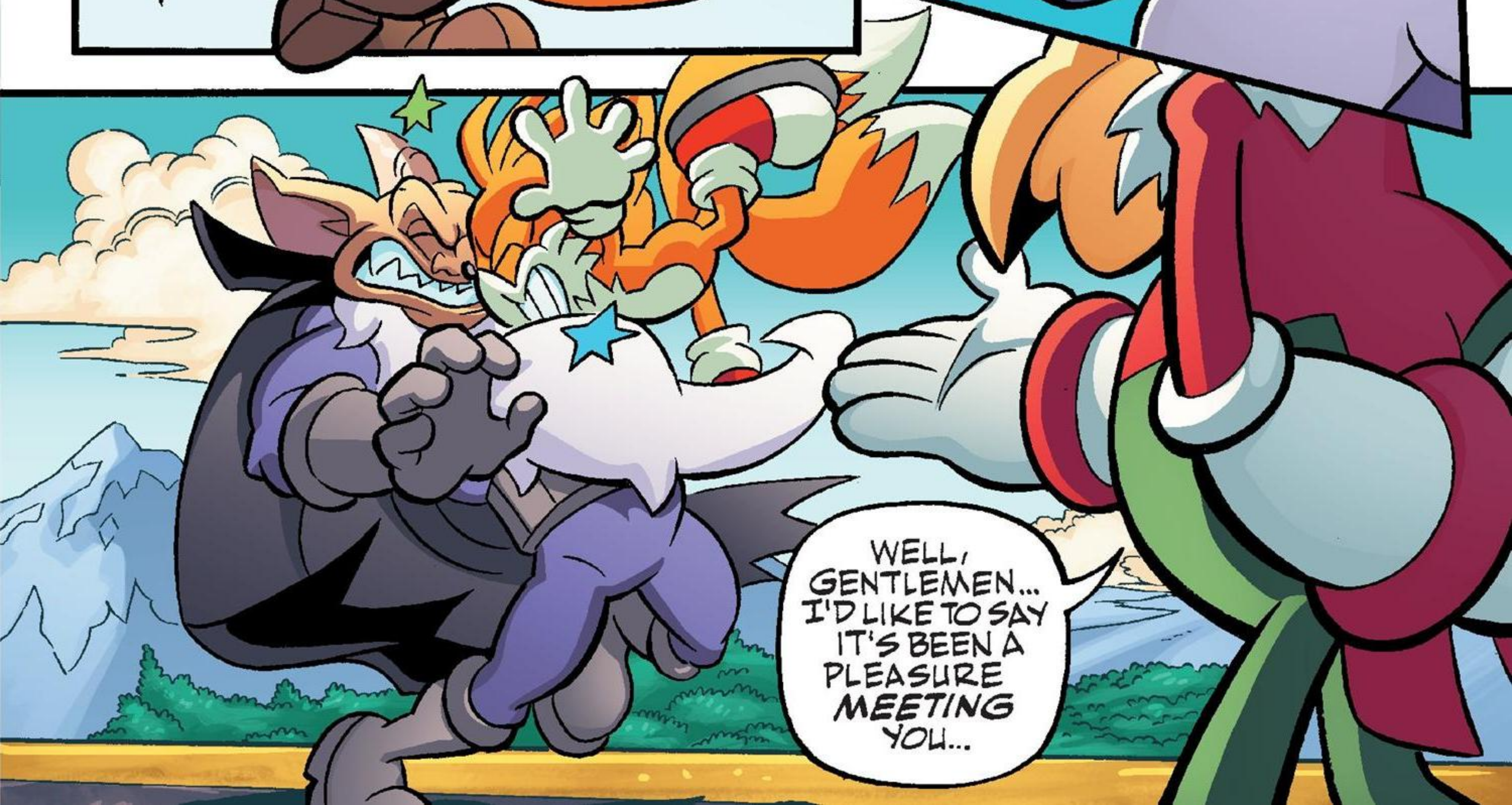
GET UP YOU
WEAKLING!

THIS NEVER
WOULD'VE
HAPPENED IF
I WERE IN
CHARGE!

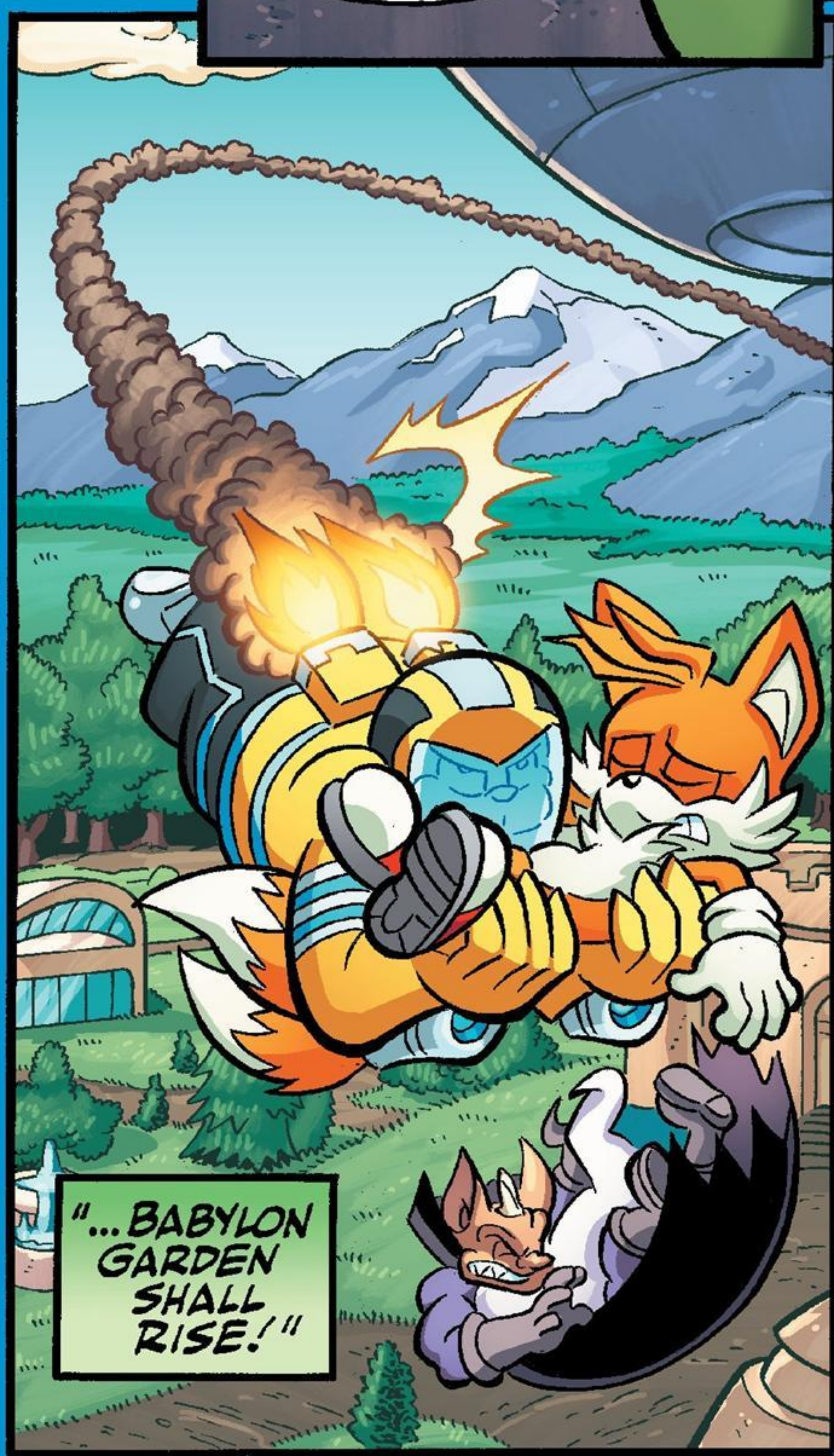


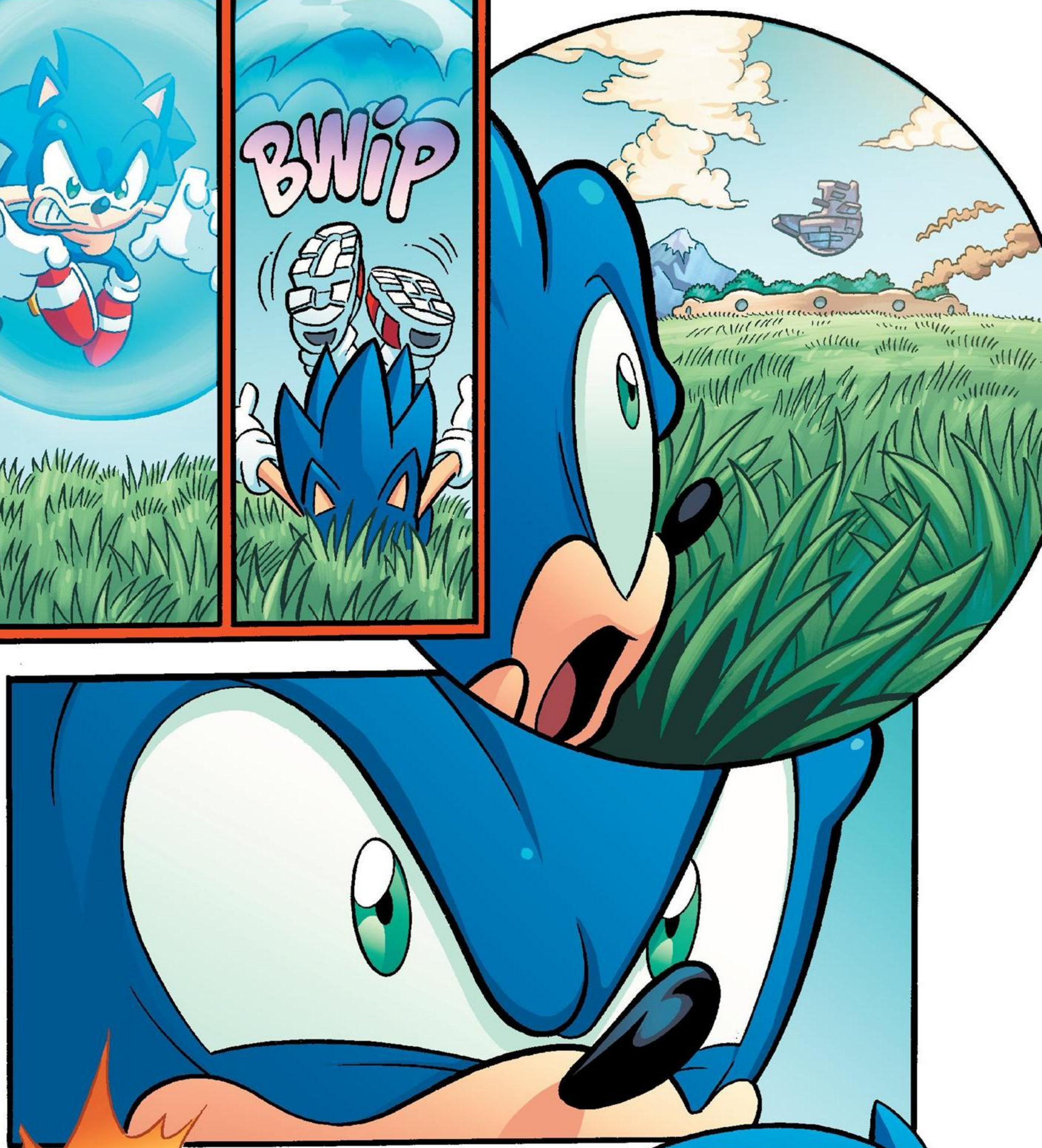
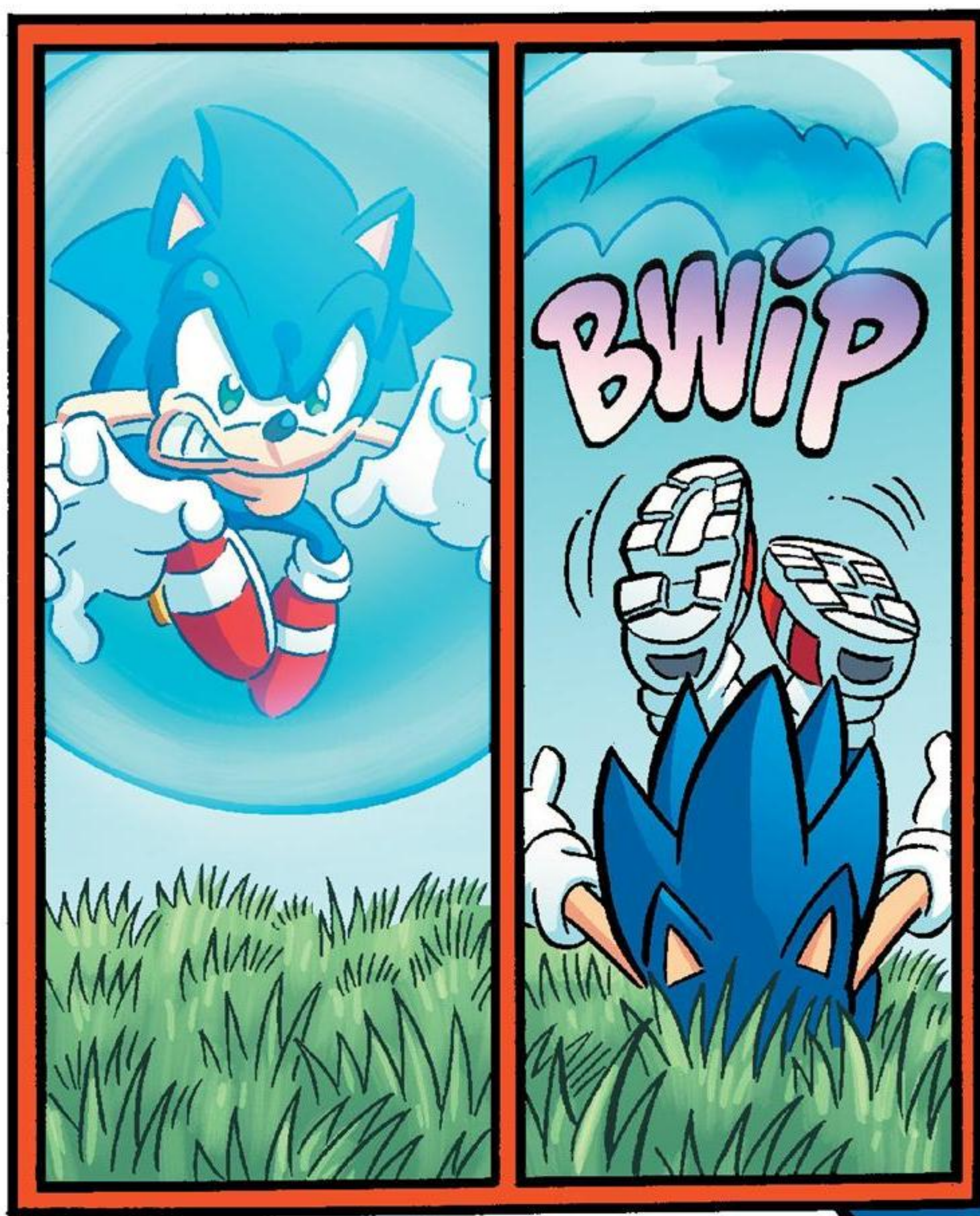
YOU'RE PRETTY
GOOD, TAILS. I'M
SORRY TO HAVE
TO DO THIS.

ONLY MY
FRIENDS
CALL ME
"TAILS".



WELL,
GENTLEMEN...
I'D LIKE TO SAY
IT'S BEEN A
PLEASURE
MEETING
YOU...







CAN THIS *REALLY* BE HAPPENING?! CAN THE BATTLE BIRD ARMADA BE STOPPED?! WILL THEY UNEARTH THE *BABYLON GARDEN*, AND WHAT WILL HAPPEN IF THEY DO? FIND OUT IN THE NEXT EARTH-SHATTERING ISSUE OF **SONIC UNIVERSE!** KEEP UP WITH ALL THE EXCITEMENT IN THE PAGES OF **SONIC THE HEDGEHOG** AND THE **SONIC** GRAPHIC NOVEL LIBRARY, AS WELL AS THE BRAND NEW **SONIC SUPER SPECIAL MAGAZINE** --
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AN ENDING SO
EPIC, YOU'LL HAVE TO
READ IT TO BELIEVE IT!

BABYLON RISING

THE CONCLUSION!

IT'S SONIC VS. THE BABYLON
ROGUES VS. THE BATTLE BIRD
ARMADA!

ON SALE THE WEEK OF 1/24/12!

SONIC THE HEDGEHOG: 232



RAD RED WEIGHS IN!

MORE SHOCKING
SURPRISES AND A CHAOTIX
ENCOUNTER IN...

"DARK TIDINGS"

ON SALE THE WEEK OF 01/03/12

Dear 'My Sonic
Universe,'

Howdy there awesome
Archie people! I have a
few questions.

Challenge accepted!

1) When will we see
Team Hooligan again?

**Hopefully soon! Bark
and Bean are the
best!**

2) Metal Sonic's
appearance in #230
was cool, but it was a
bit brief. Will he show
up again soon?

**I wouldn't want to
spoil the stories, but
you'll be seeing tons
of Metal action in
both STH and SU!**

3) Will we be seeing
Black Doom any time
soon?

**Nope! They're gettin'
squid-ey with it
across the galaxy at
the moment.**

4) I know this might
not be for awhile, but
do you think we could
get a Fiona Arc? She's
my favorite female
character and it would
be cool seeing her
star in her own story.
It would also be neat
if we found out more
about her parents.

**Fiona got a nice big
spotlight in "Scourge:
Lock-Down," so a
solo arc for Fi may be
a ways away. I would
love to see her get
her own arc, though!**

Well, that's it! Good
luck with the rest of
your stories!

Mitchell M.
from CANADA

Thanks, Mitchell!

Dear 'My Sonic
Universe,'
Hi!

HI!

This is my first time
writing to you guys
and first off I just want
to say I am Shadow's
NUMBER ONE FAN!

**Awesome! I love
Shadow, too! (Did
you see his sweet
new GN "Sonic
Universe vol.1: the
SHADOW SAGA,"
on sale now at
archiecomics.
com???)**

I also obviously have a
few questions for you
guys. I really enjoyed
the Scourge Saga
because I learned a lot
about the Destructix.
I have also read part 1
of "Babylon Rising" and
it is EPIC!

**Glad to hear it! Make
sure you write us
back and let us know
what you thought of
the complete arc!**

At the end of the
Babylon Rising, in the
"My Sonic Universe"
section they said
something about a
Werehog arc and I
think that's a really
good idea.

Max B.
from Ontario

**Wow! Two votes for a
Werehog arc! Anyone
else out there vote
for a "Were-Arc"?**

Dear 'My Sonic
Universe,'
Why did you make

Fiona Fox turn evil?
She's one of my
favorite characters!

**Fiona had a hard
past, which has
lead her to a path
of villainy...but I'm
sure deep down
somewhere Fiona
still has the capacity
to be a hero.**

Please make her a
Freedom Fighter again,
and also get her
together with Tails too.
I think she was born
for him.

**As far as getting
back with Tails,
Fiona's only got eyes
for ol' Scourge-pie!**

Has Fiona ever
considered wearing a
dress? Well, I guess
that's all. Later!

Fiona's #1 Fan,
Emily D.
From Virginia

**That depends, is it an
evil dress?**

Dear 'My Sonic
Universe,'

First of all, let me say
the Scourge arc was
awesome! Secondly,
I'm super excited for
the Babylon Rogues
to get the spotlight in
this newest arc. The
Rogues are pretty
awesome, but they
definitely need more
characterization. Can't
wait to see what you
do with them!!

Evan F.
sent to sonic@
archiecomics.com

**Well, what do you
think of "Babylon
Rising" so far?**

See y'all next month!

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